



Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)
Child Care Subsidy Monthly Report

The following report reflects information contained in the Child Care Data System (CCDS) administered by the DESE Office of Childhood. Unless otherwise noted, data consists of un-duplicated counts of children and families participating in the subsidy program for the identified month.
Database as of February 6, 2025.

January 2025

SECTION 1: CHILD CARE HOUSEHOLD APPLICATIONS

*The status reflects the action that was taken during the month indicated.

	January 2025	Change From Month Prior	Change From 2 Months Prior
Submitted	4,434	32.6%	21.2%
Approved	2,816	7.4%	18.6%
Rejected	1,309	-0.1%	-17.7%
Pending	1,103		
15 Days or Less	79		
More Than 15 Days			
Total Pending	1,182		

SECTION 2: NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS AND CHILDREN APPROVED FOR SUBSIDY

		January 2025	December 2024	November 2024	Change From Month Prior	Change From 2 Months Prior
Approved Households	Income	17,302	17,367	16,678	-0.4%	3.7%
	Protective Services	4,033	4,146	4,101	-2.7%	-1.7%
	Total	21,331	21,509	20,774	-0.8%	2.7%
Approved Children	Income	25,986	26,515	26,899	-2.0%	-3.4%
	Protective Services	6,591	6,791	6,795	-2.9%	-3.0%
	Total	32,516	33,252	33,641	-2.2%	-3.3%

SECTION 3: CHILD CARE SUBSIDY PAYMENTS

		January 2025	December 2024	November 2024	Change From Month Prior	Change From 2 Months Prior
Children Served	Income	17,604	16,500	16,394	6.7%	7.4%
	Protective Services	4,426	4,211	4,209	5.1%	5.2%
	Total	22,020	20,702	20,593	6.4%	6.9%
Payments		\$19,710,593	\$18,285,827	\$19,977,880	7.8%	-1.3%
Average Payment Per Child		\$895	\$883	\$970	1.3%	-7.7%

SECTION 4: TRANSITIONAL CHILD CARE SUMMARY

	Level 1 (151-185% FPL)			Level 2 (186-215% FPL)			Level 3 (216-242% FPL)		
	January 2025	December 2024	November 2024	January 2025	December 2024	November 2024	January 2025	December 2024	November 2024
Approved Households	320	292	239	81	77	66	24	24	22
Children Served	552	519	463	133	138	139	39	41	41
Payments	\$402,097.47	\$364,106.63	\$382,175.44	\$108,438.18	\$101,411.38	\$121,254.67	\$29,653.07	\$33,342.69	\$38,646.69
Average Payment per Household	\$303	\$300	\$299	\$320	\$316	\$308	\$341	\$344	\$336
Average Payment per Child	\$322	\$322	\$327	\$338	\$635	\$650	\$385	\$384	\$383

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SECTION 5: CHILDREN SERVED BY AGE

	Children Served January 2025	Payments January 2025
Under Age 1	915	\$1,383,322
AGE 1	2,583	\$4,212,475
AGE 2	3,348	\$3,553,113
AGE 3	3,718	\$3,205,356
AGE 4	3,300	\$2,765,965
AGE 5	2,409	\$1,673,884
AGE 6	1,358	\$703,869
AGE 7	1,168	\$589,884
AGE 8	928	\$440,393
AGE 9	797	\$397,793
AGE 10	613	\$313,722
AGE 11	454	\$232,230
AGE 12	295	\$154,085
AGE 13	105	\$61,244
Age 14 and Over	30	\$23,259
Total	22,020	\$19,710,593

SECTION 6: APPLICATIONS BY STATUS AND REGION

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*The status reflects the action that was taken during the month indicated.

	Applications Received	Applications Approved	Applications Rejected	Percent Rejected	Total Resolved	15 Days or Less	More Than 15 Days	Percent Over 15 Days
Cape Girardeau	311	177	112	20.7%	289	74	5	6.3%
Columbia	192	125	77	25.0%	202	46	2	4.2%
Jefferson City	236	136	93	24.5%	229	48	5	9.4%
Macon	104	58	34	21.0%	92	29	3	9.4%
Not Selected	1,502	1,083	205	9.1%	1,288	404	27	6.3%
Raytown	685	389	276	24.5%	665	160	15	8.6%
Springfield	358	212	150	23.8%	362	84	3	3.4%
St. Louis	1,046	636	362	20.8%	998	258	19	6.9%
Total	4,434	2,816	1,309	18.3%	4,125	1,103	79	6.7%

SECTION 7: REASON FOR CARE FOR APPROVED HOUSEHOLDS BY REGION

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Region	Education	Employment	Homeless	Incapacitated Parent	Job Search	Not Available	Protective Services	Special Need	Training
Cape Girardeau	145	1,385	16	6	295	112	665	15	6
Columbia	88	680	25	8	170	84	287	9	16
Jefferson City	78	801	13	6	216	85	443	8	11
Macon	39	336	7	2	79	26	209	2	3
Not Selected	226	1,937	47	3	486	113	462	16	56
Raytown	401	2,443	143	10	894	281	798	25	108
Springfield	167	1,295	35	4	340	107	664	19	17
St. Louis	763	4,753	251	34	1,372	570	985	68	134
Total	1,681	11,685	510	70	3,361	1,265	4,058	146	295

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SECTION 8: REASON FOR CARE FOR APPROVED HOUSEHOLDS AND CHILDREN

	Households			Children		
	January 2025	December 2024	November 2024	January 2025	December 2024	November 2024
Education	1,681	1,670	1,597	2,698	2,677	2,674
Employment	11,685	11,853	11,429	19,827	20,325	20,651
Homeless	510	470	400	671	626	559
Incapacitated Parent	70	67	61	103	94	89
Job Search	3,361	3,196	2,994	2,525	2,481	2,440
Not Available	1,265	1,267	1,260	2,465	2,486	2,483
Protective Services	4,058	4,176	4,133	6,640	6,843	6,851
Special Need	146	141	128	213	200	198
Training	295	303	290	457	478	481
Total	21,331	21,509	20,774	32,516	33,252	33,641

SECTION 9: DEMOGRAPHICS OF APPROVED CHILDREN BY RACE

	January 2025	December 2024	November 2024
African American (Black)	15,395	15,606	15,738
American/Alaskan Native	277	276	263
Asian	93	93	94
Caucasian (White)	12,204	12,383	12,423
Multi-Racial	3,295	3,218	3,085
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	62	60	64
Other	608	847	1,117
Prefer not to answer	605	602	570
Unknown	23	241	353
Total	32,516	33,252	33,641

SECTION 10: DEMOGRAPHICS OF APPROVED CHILDREN BY ETHNICITY

	January 2025	December 2024	November 2024
Hispanic	5.7%	5.6%	5.5%
Non-Hispanic	90.5%	89.3%	88.7%
Prefer not to answer	3.8%	5.2%	6.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

SECTION 11: DEMOGRAPHICS OF APPROVED HOUSEHOLDS BY INCOME

*excludes Protective Services households

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Household Size	Approved Households	% of Total Households Last Month along Table (Down)	Average Household Monthly Income
1	420	2.0%	\$38
2	5,964	28.0%	\$884
3	6,636	31.1%	\$1,110
4	4,843	22.7%	\$1,280
5	2,606	12.2%	\$1,372
6	1,226	5.7%	\$1,313
7 or More	916	4.3%	\$1,273
Total	21,328	100.0%	\$990

SECTION 12: CHILDREN SERVED AND AVERAGE PAYMENT PER CHILD BY FACILITY

Provider Type	Provider Facility Type	January 2025			December 2024			November 2024		
		Children Served	Payments	Average Payments per Child	Children Served	Payments	Average Payments per Child	Children Served	Payments	Average Payments per Child
Exempt	Exempt Program	474	\$247,522.09	\$522	398	\$260,916.22	\$656	431	\$267,492.46	\$621
	Six or Fewer	920	\$497,253.62	\$540	876	\$481,885.63	\$550	827	\$472,292.35	\$571
License Exempt	Religious Organization/ Nursery School	1,591	\$1,140,652.43	\$717	1,340	\$882,913.98	\$659	1,498	\$1,130,371.52	\$755
Licensed	Licensed Child Care Center	17,848	\$16,998,841.54	\$952	16,974	\$15,896,814.08	\$937	16,740	\$17,297,548.56	\$1,033
	Licensed Family Child Care Home	784	\$577,568.69	\$737	754	\$534,631.85	\$709	750	\$580,714.74	\$774
	Licensed Group Child Care Home	463	\$246,262.51	\$532	405	\$220,463.01	\$544	403	\$227,652.94	\$565
Total		22,020	\$19,708,100.88	\$895	20,701	\$18,277,624.77	\$883	20,591	\$19,976,072.56	\$970

SECTION 13: PAID AND CONTRACTED PROVIDERS

*Includes contracted providers and providers in the process of renewing their contract.

		January 2025	December 2024	November 2024
Paid Providers		1,689	1,631	1,640
Contracted Providers	Exempt			
	Exempt Program	184	184	183
	Six or Fewer	644	641	634
	Licensed			
	Licensed Child Care Center	1,297	1,291	1,285
	Licensed Family Child Care Home	232	230	226
	Licensed Group Child Care Home	62	61	61
	Licensed Exempt			
	Religious Organization/Nursery School	117	114	114
Total		2,536	2,521	2,503

SECTION 14: CHILDREN RECEIVING OTHER STATE ASSISTANCE

	January 2025	December 2024	November 2024	Change From Month Prior	Change From 2 Months Prior
Energy Assistance Program (LiHEAP)	1,634	1,328	1,167	23.0%	40.0%
Low Income Housing	1,696	1,461	1,316	16.1%	28.9%
Medicaid	11,592	9,981	8,973	16.1%	29.2%
Food Stamps (SNAP)	12,053	10,398	9,391	15.9%	28.3%
Temporary Assistance (TANF)	528	476	378	10.9%	39.7%
Total	14,340	12,426	11,200	15.4%	28.0%